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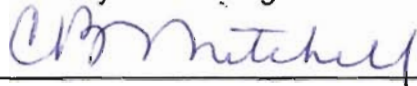
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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #08282

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM:


Cathy Mitchell
Chief, Elections Division

RE: November General: Paper Ballots – Alternative Procedures

As you are aware, Assembly Bill 917 (Chapter 501, Statutes of 2007) amended Elections Code section 14299, which relates to insufficient number of ballots at polling locations.

Under these new provisions, in cases where a polling location runs out of ballots, elections officials are now required to deliver additional ballots to the polling locations *within two hours*.

This bill also requires that elections officials provide each voter with the option of casting their vote immediately using an "alternative procedure" and that any such alternative procedure must be approved by the Secretary of State "by a date to be determined by the Secretary of State."

If you have an alternative procedure that you would like to have reviewed and approved for use in the November 4, 2008, General Election, please submit it to Jana Lean at jana.lean@sos.ca.gov no later than **October 6, 2008**.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Jana at (916) 657-2166.